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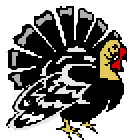
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady, instances firm. Limited sales were reported on packer label hens and toms for prompt shipments. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings are generally light and held with confidence. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow to moderate, instances good. Demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to barely adequate.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on thigh meat and tom drums, balance slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate to barely adequate.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 14, 2005**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	71-73	71.67	120	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-73	71-72	71.33	120	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	71	71.00	100	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	71	71.00	100	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JULY 15, 2005	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	73.50	70.75 **	70.90 **
CENTRAL REGION	71.00	70.00	70.50 **
WESTERN REGION	72.50 **	71.00	70.50 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	73.67	70.63 **	70.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	71.00	73.00	70.00 **
WESTERN REGION	71.80 **	71.00	70.20 **

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	69-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-78

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	106-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	106-123

**NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -**

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS

(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Jul 18, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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**PRICED AT TIME OF SALE**

8-16 lbs.	80.14	293,000
16-24 lbs.	78.33	30,000

**PRICE TO BE DETERMINED**

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume:	338,000
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**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 9-Jul-2005 (Preliminary)

		YOUNG TURKEYS		TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG	OLD	AVG	
		CHG	LIVE	BANDED	LIVE	
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT		
North East	595	-17	24.33	(A)	596	24.33
South Atlantic	548	-20	32.60	(A)	548	32.60
North Central	1,790	-19	31.52	(A)	1,790	31.52
South Central	500	-29	18.81	(A)	500	18.81
West	321	-9	26.65	(A)	321	26.65

U.S. total	3,754(B)	-20	28.43	1	3,755	28.43
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To-date

2005	114,358(B)	75	114,433
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To-date

2004	114,988(B)	177	115,165
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(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 13,000; for the current year to date 630,000; for last year to date 1,226,000.

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS**

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

June	472,238*
July 1 - 9, 2005	106,506*

To date 2005	2,654,724*
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To date 2004	2,607,341*
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\* Preliminary

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 9-Jul-2005

(Preliminary)

(Preliminary)	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	<hr/> Thousands <hr/>				
Head	1,539	2,202	13	1	3,755
Avg Wt	16.07	37.07	27.84	44.31	28.43
Last week	1,908	2,687	74	3	4,672
Same wk yr ago	1,535	2,236	63	4	3,838
Avg Wt	16.00	36.50	24.63	42.59	28.11
To-date/2005	45,155	68,573	630	75	114,433
To-date/2004	46,139	67,623	1,226	177	115,165

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT,** FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 14 JULY 2005.

The market tone on tom full-cut wings was steady to fully steady, tom drums at least steady, tom necks and 2-joint wings steady with increased confidence noted. Demand on tom drums and full-cut wings was moderate to good, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums and necks light to adequate and held with confidence, tom full-cut wings light at best and tom 2-joint wings adequate to fully adequate. Trading heavy on fresh tom breast meat, moderate on mechanically separated turkey and open priced tom necks, balance slow. Fresh wing meat with skin traded at 74-78 cents delivered domestic.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	110.50	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	158.00		158.00	18
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	50.00		50.00	28
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	50.80	50
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	42.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	30.00-33.00		31.76	68
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	28.00	60
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	28.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	92.00	20
NECKS, TOM	38.00-40.00		38.82	68
NECKS, HEN		R	40.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	171.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	184.00-187.00		184.53	680
THIGH MEAT	85.00		85.00	20
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	84.00	49
BREAST TRIM MEAT	148.00		148.00	8
SCAPULA MEAT		W	90.00	80
TENDERLOINS		T	148.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	152.00		152.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	168.55	124
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	24.50-27.00		25.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	26.00-28.50		26.50	280
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	49.50	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.50		28.50	208
TAILS		F	25.25	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	30.00	208
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	81.00-86.00		83.92	144

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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The market tone on breast trim and fresh tom breast meat was steady to firm, destrapped tenderloins steady to fully steady with frozen strongest, frozen tom breast meat at least steady with spot premiums noted on close trimmed, scapula steady, and frozen wing meat with skin steady to weak. Demand good on fresh tom breast meat and fresh breast trim, at least moderate on frozen breast trim, improved on frozen destrapped tenderloins, light to moderate on fresh destrapped tenderloins, scapula and fresh wing meat with skin light, frozen wing meat with skin extremely light to light. Offerings of breast trim and fresh tom breast meat short to light with sellers asking higher trending prices, frozen tom breast meat light, destrapped tenderloins light at best and spotty, scapula and fresh wing meat with skin adequate, frozen adequate to burdensome. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Inquiry and trading moderate with offerings held with confidence. Increased offerings of fresh tom drums were noted at lower prices. Trading was heavy on fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments, active on tom drums for domestic and export, moderate on frozen thigh meat for export. For domestic (fresh): scapula 102-104, breast trim 150-156 mostly 150-153 cents delivered. For export: hearts 25, hen full-cut wings 27, hen drums 41 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/ T	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
					WTD AVG PRICE	
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	110.50	80	110.50	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	145.00		145.00	32	149.68	50
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	48.00-49.00		48.33	60	49.57	299
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	48.00-50.00		48.67	240	48.67	240
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	42.00	20	42.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	28.00		28.00	20	31.29	257
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	28.00	60	28.00	60
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00		30.00	40	29.07	560
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	92.00	20	92.00	20
NECKS, TOM	38.00-42.00		39.08	113	39.54	468
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	171.00-176.00		173.50	80	173.50	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	186.00-190.00		188.35	655	186.11	1,665
THIGH MEAT		R	85.00	20	81.75	64
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	84.00	49		
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	148.00	8	143.83	48
SCAPULA MEAT	91.00		91.00	28	90.26	108
TENDERLOINS		T	148.00	4	148.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	152.00	80	151.56	320
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	60.50-61.00		60.67	120	60.67	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	167.00		167.00	39	167.00	39
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	25.00		25.00	40	25.50	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	27.00-29.00		28.14	140	27.05	420
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00-50.00		49.46	224	49.47	264
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	28.50	208	28.50	416
TAILS		F	25.25	40		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	30.00	208	30.00	208
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00-86.00		84.23	352	84.16	680

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